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AS YOU HEARD THIS MORNING, CHANGES IN PERSONNEL AND POLICY IN THE SOVIET UNION ARE TAKING PLACE FAR FASTER THAN IMPLEMENTATION OF THOSE POLICIES AND REAL CHANGE IN THE SYSTEM. EVEN SO, WHILE ACTUAL STRUCTURAL CHANGES IN SOVIET UNION HAVE SO FAR BEEN MODEST, WHAT GORBACHEV ALREADY HAS SET IN MOTION REPRESENTS A POLITICAL EARTHQUAKE. HE IS PULLING ALL THE LEVERS OF CHANGE IN A SOCIETY AND CULTURE THAT HISTORICALLY HAS RESISTED CHANGE — AND WHERE CHANGE USUALLY HAS BEEN VIOLENT AND WRENCHING. THE FORCES HE HAS UNLEASHED ARE POWERFUL, BUT SO ARE THE PEOPLE AND INSITUTIONS HE HAS ANTAGONIZED — THUS SETTING IN MOTION A TREMENDOUS POWER STRUGGLE AND PURGE NO LESS DRAMATIC FOR THE ABSENCE OF SHOW TRIALS AND TERROR.

INDEED, AFTER ALL OF THE TALK OF GLASNOST AND

DEMOCRATIZATION, STALIN WOULD HAVE BEEN PROUD OF THE SMOOTHLY

ORCHESTRATED 44-MINUTE SUPREME SOVIET SESSION IN WHICH PEOPLE

WERE FIRED, RETIRED AND HIRED WITH NO DISSENTING VOTES AND 1500

DELEGATES VOTING AS ONE. THE SESSION WAS A POWER PLAY IN THE

GRAND AND TRADITIONAL SOVIET MANNER. WHILE IT IS TESTIMONY TO GORBACHEV'S POWER, THE NEED FOR IT ALSO IS A MARK OF HIS VULNERABILITY, HIS FRUSTRATION AT THE LACK OF PROGRESS, BUREAUCRATIC OBSTRUCTIONISM AND OPPOSITION IN THE PARTY TO HIS PROGRAMS AND POLICIES — AND OF THE DESPERATE SITUATION FACING THE SOVIET UNION.

WE ARE IN AN EXTRAORDINARY PERIOD IN HISTORY. THE TUMBRELS ARE ROLLING IN MOSCOW; POLICIES A HALF-CENTURY OLD ARE BEING OVERTURNED; UNREST STALKS THE CAUCASUS, A REVOLUTION FROM ABOVE HAS BEEN LAUNCHED WITH NO ASSURANCE IT WILL SUCCEED. MEANWHILE, ONE READS IN THE NEWSPAPERS OF PEACE BREAKING OUT ALL OVER. AND, TO BE SURE, WE HAVE SEEN A REMARKABLE CHANGE IN THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND THE SOVIET UNION OVER THE PAST YEAR OR SO, CULMINATING IN THE SIGNING OF THE TREATY ON INTERMEDIATE RANGE NUCLEAR FORCES AND CONTINUED NEGOTIATIONS IN A VARIETY OF OTHER FORUMS. WE ARE SEEING A SIGNIFICANT IMPROVEMENT IN RELATIONS BETWEEN THE SOVIET UNION AND CHINA. WE SEE THE SOVIETS WITHDRAWING FROM AFGHANISTAN, AND WE BELIEVE THAT THAT WITHDRAWAL WILL CONTINUE. WE HAVE SEEN THE SOVIETS APPEARING TO PLAY A CONSTRUCTIVE ROLE IN NEGOTIATIONS WITH RESPECT TO CAMBODIA AND ANGOLA. WHAT ARE WE TO MAKE OF IT ALL?

IT IS A FACT, AS ANY POLICYMAKER WILL TELL YOU, THAT
INTELLIGENCE LOOKS AT THE WORLD THROUGH A UNIQUE AND GLOOMY

PRISM. INDEED, IT HAS BEEN SAID THAT WHEN AN INTELLIGENCE OFFICER SMELLS FLOWERS, HE LOOKS AROUND FOR A COFFIN. BUT ALSO IT HAS BEEN OUR EXPERIENCE THAT, MORE OFTEN THAN NOT, AMBROSE BIERCE WAS ACCURATE — IF CYNICAL — WHEN HE DEFINED PEACE AS A PERIOD OF CHEATING BETWEEN TWO PERIODS OF FIGHTING. SOME TWENTY YEARS AGO THE HISTORIAN WILL DURANT WROTE THAT IN THE PREVIOUS 3,421 YEARS OF HUMAN HISTORY, ONLY 268 HAD SEEN NO WAR.

IT IS OUR JOB IN INTELLIGENCE TO LOOK BEHIND THE FACADE —
THE HEADLINES — AND TO TRY TO DISCERN REALITY. MOVEMENT
TOWARD NEGOTIATED SOLUTIONS TO INTERNATIONAL TENSIONS AND HOT
SPOTS SURELY IS WELCOME, JUST AS ARE INITIATIVES IN THE SOVIET
UNION THAT WE HOPE MIGHT ULTIMATELY POINT IN THE DIRECTION OF
GREATER OPENNESS, PLURALISM, STRATEGIC STABILITY AND
INTERNATIONAL TRANQUILITY. BUT THESE TRENDS, AND PARTICULARLY
THE PUBLICITY AND ATMOSPHERICS ATTENDANT TO THEM, MUST NOT
BLIND US TO REALITY. I WANT TO SPEAK BRIEFLY TO YOU ABOUT
THESE REALITIES AS WE LOOK AT DEVELOPMENTS IN THE SOVIET UNION
AND THE IMPLICATIONS FOR INTELLIGENCE REQUIREMENTS.

THE MILITARY

THE FIRST REALITY IS THE CONTINUING EXTRAORDINARY SCOPE AND SWEEP OF SOVIET MILITARY MODERNIZATION AND WEAPONS RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT. DESPITE SOVIET RHETORIC, WE STILL SEE NO

SLACKENING OF THEIR WEAPONS PRODUCTION OR PROGRAMS, AND SOVIET RESEARCH ON NEW WEAPONS CONTINUES APACE. AS THE RATE OF GROWTH OF OUR DEFENSE BUDGET DECLINES, THEIRS CONTINUES TO GROW, ALBEIT SLOWLY. WE SEE A RAPID PACE OF SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL DEVELOPMENT ON NEW AND EXOTIC SOVIET WEAPONS, MANY OF THEM BASED ON NEW PHYSICAL PRINCIPLES. I INCLUDE AMONG THESE NEW HIGH EXPLOSIVES (IN WHICH THE SOVIETS HAVE A CLEAR LEAD), RANGING FROM ENHANCED BLAST MUNITIONS TO REACTIVE SURROUND WARHEADS TO FUEL AIR EXPLOSIVES. THESE WEAPONS, WITH ENORMOUSLY ENHANCED POWER AND HIGH ACCURACY, CAN HAVE THE ROUGH EQUIVALENT OF LOW YIELD NUCLEAR WEAPONS, AS FORESHADOWED BY MARSHAL OGARKOV. WE ARE SEEING ADVANCES IN SOVIET WORK ON PRECISION GUIDED MUNITIONS, AND CAN SEE THE DAY IN WHICH TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENTS IN VERY HIGH SPEED INTEGRATED CIRCUITS, MICRO-ELECTRONICS, ADVANCE IMAGE PROCESSING, FOCAL PLANE ARRAYS AND SPECIAL COMPOSITE MATERIALS CAN LEAD TO "BRILLIANT" PRECISION GUIDED MUNITIONS WITH NEAR ZERO CEP AND HIGH RELIABILITY. THE SOVIETS LEAD THE U.S. IN THE DEVELOPMENT IN MANY AREAS OF HYPERVELOCITY IMPACT WEAPONS, AS WELL IN CERTAIN AERODYNAMIC AND NAVAL ADVANCED PROPULSION TECHNOLOGIES.

UNDERSTANDING THESE DEVELOPMENTS IS CRUCIAL TO U.S.

INTERESTS. IN THESE AND OTHER NEW TECHNOLOGIES, COLLECTION AND ANALYSIS REQUIREMENTS WILL POSE ENORMOUS CHALLENGES TO US. LET ME GIVE YOU FIVE EXAMPLES:

- THE DEVELOPMENT OF DIRECTED ENERGY WEAPONS, FOR BOTH TACTICAL AND STRATEGIC USE, EITHER ON THE GROUND OR IN SPACE, REQUIRES THE DEVELOPMENT OF NEW COLLECTION SYSTEM CAPABILITIES. THESE WEAPONS HAVE VERY HIGH PEAK POWER, BUT ARE ON THE AIR FOR ONLY A VERY SHORT TIME. EACH EVENT OCCURS WITH LITTLE WARNING AND IS EXCEEDINGLY RARE BUT EXTREMELY SIGNIFICANT. COLLECTION SYSTEMS MUST PROVIDE CONTINUOUS COVERAGE OF LARGE AREAS OF LAND AND SPACE, COVER A WIDE SPECTRAL REGIME AND FIND, MONITOR AND REPORT IN REAL TIME ON THE STATUS OF DIRECTED ENERGY WEAPONS SYSTEMS.
- -- IN THE REALM OF ADVANCED TELECOMMUNICATIONS, HIGH BAND WIDTH COMMUNICATIONS LINKS ARE DIFFICULT TO MONITOR AND RESISTANT TO ATTEMPTS TO EXTRACT INTELLIGENCE FROM THEM. FIBER-OPTIC SYSTEMS ARE BECOMING MORE COMMON AND REQUIRE THE DEVELOPMENT OF NEW MONITORING TECHNOLOGY.
- TYPIFIED BY THE GLONASS SPACE BASED NAVIGATION SYSTEM
 IN THE SOVIET UNION ARE MAKING INCREASINGLY ACCURATE
 AND RELIABLE MOBILE WEAPONS SYSTEMS POSSIBLE. AS THESE
 TECHNOLOGIES ADVANCE AND MOBILE SYSTEMS REACH THE
 PERFORMANCE LEVELS OF SILO-BASED SYSTEMS, COLLECTION
 SYSTEMS MUST DEAL WITH STRATEGIC TARGETS WHICH ARE MORE
 DIFFICULT TO LOCATE AND IDENTIFY AND ARE DEPLOYED ON A
 VARIETY OF BROADLY DISTRIBUTED PLATFORMS.

- -- CURRENT COLLECTION SYSTEMS ARE NOT ADEQUATE FOR THE DETECTION OF CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL WARFARE ACTIVITIES, NOT JUST IN THE USSR BUT TO HELP COPE WITH THE WORLDWIDE PROLIFERATION OF THESE WEAPONS. NEW TECHNIQUES FOR THE PRODUCTION AND DESIGN OF CBW AGENTS ONLY ADD TO THE PROBLEM BY ALLOWING RAPID CHANGES IN THE AGENTS IN ROUTE AND REDUCING REACTION TIMES. NEW TECHNIQUES FOR DETECTING GENETICALLY ALTERED SUBSTANCES AND TRACING THEM TO THEIR SOURCE WILL BE NEEDED.
- --- FINALLY, REDUCED OBSERVABILITY OBVIOUSLY MAKES

 COLLECTION MORE DIFFICULT. IN A RELATED AREA,

 COLLECTION AGAINST COUNTER LOW OBSERVABLE SYSTEMS

 REQUIRES PRECISION AND DETAIL IF EFFECTIVE COUNTERS ARE

 TO BE DEVELOPED. OUR ASSESSMENT OF SOVIET LOW

 OBSERVABLE SYSTEMS AND ABILITY TO ACCURATELY

 CHARACTERIZE THE THREAT TO OUR OWN SYSTEMS DEPEND UPON

 OUR ABILITY TO IMPROVE COLLECTION AND ANALYSIS

 CAPABILITIES.

MORE BROADLY, THE RAPID GROWTH OF TECHNOLOGY AROUND THE WORLD STRAINS OUR RESOURCES TO TRANSLATE OUR PRINCIPAL DATA SOUCE ON TECHNOLOGY, THE TECHNICAL LITERATURE, INTO ELECTRONIC MEDIA THAT CAN BE EASILY SEARCHED. WE CANNOT KNOW IN A TIME OF RAPID CHANGE AND INNOVATION WHICH ARTICLES NEED TRANSLATION.

WE NEED MEANS FOR FAST, ACCURATE, AND COLLOQUIAL TRANSLATION
BECAUSE WE CANNOT HIRE ENOUGH ANALYSTS TO COVER THE RANGE OF
TECHNICAL DISCIPLINES THAT SHOULD BE MONITORED. WE NEED TO
DEVELOP BETTER COMPUTER ASSISTED TOOLS TO ASSIST THE ANALYST.

ARMS CONTROL

BEYOND THE DEVELOPMENT OF NEW SOVIET WEAPONS CAPABILITIES

AND RELATED TECHNOLOGIES, WE WILL FACE A SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON

INTELLIGENCE REQUIREMENTS AS A RESULT OF TREATY MONITORING

RESPONSIBILITIES. DURING THE NEXT FIVE YEARS, ARMS CONTROL

TREATIES COULD BE COMPLETED OR UPDATED ON STRATEGIC WEAPONS, A

THRESHHOLD TEST BAN, PEACEFUL NUCLEAR EXPLOSIONS, DEFENSE AND

SPACE, CHEMICAL WEAPONS AND CONVENTIONAL ARMS. EACH OF THESE

WILL PRESENT SPECIAL MONITORING CHALLENGES TO THE INTELLIGENCE

COMMUNITY TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE SOVIETS AND ARE COMPLYING

WITH PROVISIONS OF THE TREATIES. IN ADDITION TO THE

CONSTELLATION OF NATIONAL TECHNICAL MONITORING TOOLS WE HAVE

TODAY, WE WILL HAVE MORE ADVANCED SYSTEMS, AND THESE WILL BE

AUGMENTED BY ON SITE AND TECHNICAL INSPECTION TECHNIQUES.

OUR EXPERIENCE WITH MONITORING OF PREVIOUS AGREEMENTS, BOTH RATIFIED AND UNRATIFIED, AND OUR RECENT EXPERIENCE WITH ONSITE MONITORING OF THE INF TREATY AND THE JOINT VERIFICATION EXPERIMENT, LEAD US TO CONCLUDE THAT ONLY THROUGH SYNERGISTIC USE OF ALL OF OUR TECHNIQUES WILL WE BE ABLE TO MEET OUR

MONITORING OBLIGATIONS. THE MONETARY COST OF ARMS CONTROL IS,
AND WILL BE, SIGNIFICANT. HIGH TECHNOLOGY AND SPACE BASED

SYSTEMS ARE EXTREMELY EXPENSIVE, BUT WILL BE ABSOLUTELY

NECESSARY IN AN ARMS CONTROL WORLD WHERE MILITARILY SIGNIFICANT

CHEATING COULD GAIN THE EDGE FOR AN ADVERSARY IN NUCLEAR,

CHEMICAL OR CONVENTIONAL ARMS. MOREOVER, THESE RESOURCES ARE

ONLY INDEPENDENT MEANS FOR ASSESSING COMPLIANCE WITH TREATY

PROVISIONS.

ON SITE INSPECTION AND OTHER COOPERATIVE MEASURES WILL ADD SUBSTANTIALLY TO THE NATION'S MONITORING AND VERIFICATION CAPABILITIES. THESE HAVE THEIR COSTS AND LIMITATIONS, HOWEVER. THEY REQUIRE THE COOPERATION OF THE SIGNATORIES AND THEREFORE CAN BE CUT OFF OR INTERFERED WITH AT ANY TIME. FURTHERMORE, WE MUST BE PREPARED TO ACCEPT THE SAME INTRUSIVENESS WE EXPECT THE OTHER SIDE TO ACCEPT. IN THE ON SITE WORLD, WE MUST BE PREPARED TO RISK EXPOSURE OF OUR MOST SENSITIVE PUBLIC AND PRIVATE TECHNOLOGIES IF WE WANT SIMILAR ACCESS ELSEWHERE. THE COUNTERINTELLIGENCE RISKS OF SOVIET INSPECTORS IN THE U.S. CANNOT BE OVERLOOKED. WE MUST ALSO BE PREPARED TO BEAR HEAVY MONETARY BURDENS ASSOCIATED WITH HOUSING, TRANSPORT, ESCORT, PORTAL PERIMETER MONITORING, AND LOST TIME BROUGHT ABOUT BY INSPECTIONS.

LET ME SAY A WORD ABOUT SPECIFIC MONITORING TASKS.

WITH RESPECT TO START, NATIONAL TECHNICAL MEANS WILL REMAIN OUR PRIMARY MONITORING TOOL, ALTHOUGH SUPPLEMENTED WITH ON SITE INSPECTION. ON SITE INSPECTION WILL PROVIDE A COUNTER CHECK AND MORE DIRECT ACCESS TO AFFIRM OUR TECHNICAL ESTIMATES AND FORCE ASSESSMENTS. MOBILE MISSILES ARE PARTICULARLY DIFFICULT FOR US TO MONITOR. IT WILL TAKE A COMBINATION OF NATIONAL TECHNICAL MEANS AND ON SITE INSPECTIONS, AND OTHER COOPERATIVE MEASURES, TO DEAL WITH THIS AND, EVEN THEN, THERE WILL BE PROBLEMS. AS STRATEGIC SYSTEMS GET SMALLER, AS IN THE CASE OF CRUISE MISSILES, OUR CHALLENGE WILL BECOME EVEN GREATER. START WOULD ALSO REQUIRE US TO MONITOR A PRODIGIOUS ARRAY OF WEAPONS SYSTEMS AND FACILITIES. THE INF TREATY GIVES THE UNITED STATES THE RIGHT TO CONDUCT INSPECTIONS AT 117 SOVIET FACILITIES, BUT START COULD INVOLVE AS MANY AS 2500. UNDER THESE CIRCUMSTANCES, THE STRAIN ON EXISTING U.S. NATIONAL TECHNICAL COLLECTION RESOURCES WILL BE STAGGERING. ACCORDINGLY, WE MUST ANTICIPATE THE NEED FOR NEW AND IMPROVED TECHNICAL COLLECTION CAPABILITIES TO MEET THE DEMANDS OF ARMS CONTROL AND STRATEGIC FORCE MONITORING WITH INCREASED RELIANCE ON AUTOMATED SYSTEMS FOR TASKING AND EXPLOITING THESE ASSETS. IN THIS ENVIRONMENT, HUMAN AGENTS WILL BE EVEN MORE CRITICAL IN THE FUTURE THAN TODAY.

- -- IN THE NUCLEAR TESTING ARENA, OUR WELL-ESTABLISHED

 NATIONAL TECHNICAL MEANS WHICH DEPEND ON SEISMIC DATA,

 WILL BE AUGMENTED BY CORRTEX, THE U.S. METHOD FOR

 HYDRODYNAMIC MEASUREMENT OF NUCLEAR TEST YIELDS.
- CHEMICAL WEAPONS PRESENT AN ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE

 MONITORING CHALLENGE FOR US. NATIONAL TECHNICAL MEANS

 CAN ONLY DO SO MUCH. THERE ARE FEW SIGNATURES FOR

 PRODUCTION AND STORAGE OF CHEMICAL WEAPONS, AND LITTLE

 ON THE HORIZON THAT WILL HELP US SUBSTANTIALLY IN THIS

 AREA. ONLY THROUGH EXTENSIVE AND INTENSIVE EFFORTS CAN

 WE ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY THE EXISTENCE OF CHEMICAL

 WEAPONS PROGRAMS AND ESTIMATE THEIR STATUS. EVEN SO,

 BECAUSE OF RECENT PROLIFERATION AND USE OF SUCH

 WEAPONS, WE RECOGNIZE THE IMPORTANCE AND DESIRABILITY

 OF FINDING SOME WAY TO ELIMINATE CHEMICAL WEAPONS AND

 SOME MEANS OF MONITORING THIS.
- ON THE AGENDA IN THE NEXT US ADMINISTRATION. WE EXPECT THE NEXT FIVE YEARS TO BE A PERIOD OF DYNAMIC CHANGE IN SOVIET THEATRE FORCES. THE SOVIETS SEE A NEED TO RESPOND WITH NEW SYSTEMS AND ORGANIZATIONAL CHANGES TO A REVOLUTION IN MILITARY TECHNOLOGY THAT THREATENS THEIR ADVANTAGE IN GROUND FORCES. AT THE SAME TIME,

THE LEADERSHIP HAS CALLED FOR POLITICAL SOLUTIONS TO SECURITY PROBLEMS THAT RESULT IN THE NEED FOR SOVIET FORCES TO APPEAR LESS THREATENING BUT NO LESS CAPABLE. AT THE SAME TIME, THE LEADERSHIP WILL BE LOOKING FOR WAYS TO REDUCE THE WEIGHT OF THE DEFENSE BURDEN. SUCH DEVELOPMENTS IN CONVENTIONAL FORCES WILL PRESENT US WITH NEW CHALLENGES FOR COLLECTION AND ANALYSIS:

- WE MUST DETERMINE THE EXTENT AND THE PACE OF
 RESTRUCTURING IN CONVENTIONAL FORCES AND ATTEMPT TO
 DISTINGUISH CHANGES RESPONDING TO NEW TECHNOLOGIES
 FROM THOSE THAT MIGHT RESULT FROM ANY CHANGE IN
 DOCTRINE OR ECONOMIC PRIORITIES.
- BECAUSE THE GEOGRAPHIC AREA TO BE COVERED IN THE NEW ARMS CONTROL TALKS IS SO LARGE, ALL OF EUROPE FROM THE ATLANTIC TO THE URALS, WE MUST INCREASE OUR DETAILED ANALYTIC EFFORT ON THE SOVIET FORCES OUTSIDE OF CENTRAL EUROPE, WHICH WAS THE MORE LIMITED FOCUS OF THE MBFR TALKS.
- AND IF AN AGREEMENT ON REDUCTION OF CONVENTIONAL FORCES IS ACHIEVED, IT WILL REQUIRE SUBSTANTIALLY INCREASED COLLECTION AND ANALYTICAL RESOURCES TO SUPPORT MONITORING AND ON SITE INSPECTION OF HUNDREDS OF INSTALLATIONS.

POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENTS

BEYOND WEAPONS DEVELOPMENT, PROCUREMENT, AND DEPLOYMENT PROBLEMS, BEYOND ARMS CONTROL, IS THE CHALLENGE OF UNDERSTANDING AND RESPONDING TO NEW REQUIREMENTS IN THE TURBULENT SOVIET INTERNAL AND FOREIGN POLICY ARENAS. THE SOVIET UNION IS IN THE MIDST OF ITS GREATEST UPHEAVAL AND PERIOD OF CHANGE IN OVER HALF A CENTURY. GORBACHEV SEEKS TO ALTER DRAMATICALLY THE ECONOMIC, POLITICAL AND SOCIAL FACE OF THE SOVIET UNION. THIS IS TO BE DONE WHILE OUTMANEUVERING HIS POLITICAL RIVALS, CONTAINING DOMESTIC UNREST, INCREASING THE REGIME'S LEGITIMACY, MAINTAINING ECONOMIC AND MILITARY STRENGTH, AND PRESERVING MOSCOW'S SUPERPOWER STATUS.

A KEY REQUIREMENT FOR US IS TO ESTABLISH REALISTIC CRITERIA BY WHICH WE CAN JUDGE IN THE COMING MONTHS AND YEARS WHETHER POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC CHANGE IN THE SOVIET UNION IS GENUINELY RESHAPING THE FOUNDATIONS OF THE SYSTEM — OR WHETHER THE TOTALITARIAN STRUCTURE OF THE SOVIET UNION, INCLUDING THE INSTRUMENTS OF CENTRAL CONTROL AND REPRESSION, ENDURES DISCREETLY IN THE SHADOWS, AVAILABLE AT THE BECKON OF GORBACHEV'S SUCCESSOR, OR EVEN FOR GORBACHEV.

BEYOND THIS NEED TO KEEP OUR PLACE, OUR PERSPECTIVE, ARE OTHER CHALLENGES. GLASNOST AND THE SHEER VOLUME OF INTERNAL

CHANGE HAS RESULTED IN AN INFORMATION OVERLOAD THAT REQUIRES

GREATER RESOURCES TO SIFT THROUGH AND PICK OUT THE MOST SALIENT

ITEMS. THE INCREASING AVAILABILITY OF INFORMATION TO THE PRESS

PROVIDES US WITH A CHALLENGE TO SORT OUT WHAT, IS ACCURATE, AS

WELL AS TO COME UP WITH UNIQUE SOURCES OF INFORMATION THAT GIVE

US A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THE DYNAMICS AT WORK.

IN FOREIGN POLICY, THE CONTINUED AGGRESSIVE PURSUIT OF SOVIET OBJECTIVES AND PROTECTION OF SOVIET CLIENTS IN THE THIRD WORLD WILL REMAIN CENTRAL. UNDER GORBACHEV, THE SOVIETS AND CUBANS ARE NOW PROVIDING MORE THAN A BILLION DOLLARS A YEAR IN ECONOMIC AND MILITARY ASSISTANCE TO NICARAGUA; MORE THAN A BILLION DOLLARS WORTH OF MILITARY EQUIPMENT WAS SENT TO VIETNAM, LAOS AND CAMBODIA IN THE FIRST SIX MONTHS OF LAST YEAR; MORE THAN FOUR BILLION DOLLARS IN MILITARY EQUIPMENT HAS BEEN SENT TO ANGOLA SINCE 1984. AND, OF COURSE, CUBA GETS ABOUT SEVEN BILLION DOLLARS IN SOVIET SUPPORT EACH YEAR. AT A TIME OF ECONOMIC STRESS AT HOME, THESE COMMITMENTS SPEAK CLEARLY ABOUT SOVIET PRIORITIES. HOWEVER, WE MUST ALSO ANTICIPATE SOVIET PRESSURE ON CLIENTS TO USE THIS HELP MORE EFFICIENTLY, TO REDUCE OR AT LEAST CONSTRAIN FURTHER GROWTH IN SOVIET ASSISTANCE. OUR ABILITY TO TRACK THIS MILITARY AND ECONOMIC HELP AND THE POLITICAL RELATIONSHIPS WILL CONTINUE TO BE A DIFFICULT PROBLEM.

ANOTHER ELEMENT OF GORBACHEV'S FOREIGN POLICY IS NEW AND DYNAMIC DIPLOMATIC INITIATIVES TO WEAKEN TIES BETWEEN THE US AND ITS WESTERN ALLIES, CHINA, JAPAN, AND THE THIRD WORLD; TO PORTRAY THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT AS COMMITTED TO ARMS CONTROL AND PEACE; AND TO SUGGEST MOSCOW'S INTEREST IN DIPLOMATIC SOLUTIONS TO THIRD WORLD PROBLEMS. WE CAN AND SHOULD EXPECT OTHER NEW AND BOLD INITIATIVES, PERHAPS INCLUDING UNILATERAL CONVENTIONAL FORCE REDUCTIONS THAT WILL SEVERELY TEST ALLIANCE COHESION.

SIMILARLY, NEW INITIATIVES WITH CHINA AND JAPAN SEEM LIKELY IN AN EFFORT, TO OVERCOME BILATERAL OBSTACLES TO IMPROVED RELATIONS AND TO EXPLOIT PROBLEMS BETWEEN THEM AND THE US.

IN THE THIRD WORLD, THEY WILL SEEK TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF ANY RELAXATION OF US VIGILANCE OR CONSTANCY. THE INCREASED PRESENCE OF SOPHISTICATED, TALENTED, LINGUISTICALLY QUALIFIED SOVIETS IN THE THIRD WORLD WILL OFFER THEM INCREASED OPPORTUNITIES TO APPROACH LOCAL POLITICIANS AND GROUPS AND WILL REQUIRE REDIRECTED AND POSSIBLY ADDITIONAL COLLECTION RESOURCES. AS THE SOVIET OVERT POLICY IN THE THIRD WORLD BECOMES MORE SOPHISTICATED, SO TOO WILL THEIR COVERT ACTIVITIES. WE WILL NEED TO DEVOTE MORE ATTENTION AND EFFCRT TO SOVIET ACTIVITIES TO CLANDESTINELY INFLUENCE POLITICAL DEVELOPMENTS IN A WIDE RANGE OF COUNTRIES FRIENDLY AND/OR IMPORTANT TO THE UNITED STATES.

ARMS CONTROL AND OTHER NEW INITIATIVES ALSO ARE INTENDED TO BREAK SOVIET FOREIGN POLICY OUT OF LONGSTANDING TACTICAL DEADENDS AND TO MAKE THE SOVIET UNION A MORE EFFECTIVE, FLEXIBLE AND VIGOROUS PLAYER THROUGHOUT THE WORLD. THE FOREMOST EXAMPLES OF THIS ARE THE CHANGES IN THE SOVIET POSITION ON INF AND THEIR DECISION TO WITHDRAW FROM AFGHANISTAN. THE RESULT IS LIKELY TO BE A SOVIET POLITICAL CHALLENGE TO THE US ABROAD THAT COULD POSE GREATER PROBLEMS FOR OUR INTERNATIONAL POSITION, ALLIANCES AND RELATIONSHIPS IN THE FUTURE THAN THE HERETOFORE ONE DIMENSIONAL SOVIET MILITARY CHALLENGE. WE MUST BE PREPARED FOR GREATER SOVIET FLEXIBILITY — A NEW AND DISCONCERTING WILLINGNESS TO SAY YES TO SOME OLD AND NOT WELL EXAMINED US AND WESTERN PROPOSALS. CONSIDERABLE NEW THINKING AND AGILITY WILL BE NEEDED ON OUR DWN PART TO ANTICIPATE AND UNDERSTAND SOVIET INITIATIVES.

COUNTERINTELLIGENCE

THE LAST AREA OF NEW REQUIREMENTS I WANT TO MENTION TODAY IS COUNTERINTELLIGENCE. DESPITE RECENT ENCOURAGING

DEVELOPMENTS IN THE USSR AND IMPROVED US-SOVIET RELATIONS, AN EFFECTIVE AND COMPREHENSIVE COUNTERINTELLIGENCE PROGRAM HAS NEVER BEEN MORE IMPORTANT TO OUR NATION. SINCE GORBACHEV'S ACCESSION TO POWER, THE HOSTILE INTELLIGENCE THREAT AGAINST US HAS GROWN. THE NUMBER OF OPERATIONS AGAINST US HAS CERTAINLY INCREASED. OVER THE PAST THREE YEARS, WE HAVE DISCOVERED MORE

PENETRATIONS OF THE U.S. DEFENSE AND INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITIES
THAN AT ANY TIME IN OUR HISTORY. THE COST OF THESE COMPROMISES
ARE ESTIMATED IN THE BILLIONS OF DOLLARS. ALTHOUGH MANY
COUNTRIES ENGAGE IN INTELLIGENCE OPERATIONS AGAINST THE UNITED
STATES, THE SOVIET INTELLIGENCE SERVICES, THE KGB AND GRU,
REPRESENT BY FAR THE MOST SIGNIFICANT INTELLIGENCE THREAT IN
TERMS OF SIZE, ABILITY AND INTENT TO ACT AGAINST U.S.
INTERESTS, BOTH AT HOME AND ABROAD. AND DESPITE SOVIET
GLASNOST AND PERESTROIKA, WE ACTUALLY HAVE SEEN AN INCREASE
THIS YEAR OF SOVIET ATTEMPTS TO RECRUIT U.S. SOURCES.

AN EFFECTIVE COUNTERINTELLIGENCE PROGRAM REQUIRES VIGILANCE
ON BOTH THE DEFENSIVE AND OFFENSIVE FRONTS. FIRST, WE MUST
PROTECT SENSITIVE INFORMATION, TECHNOLOGY, EQUIPMENT AND
PERSONNEL. SECOND, WE MUST DETECT, MONITOR AND COUNTER THE
ACTIONS OF HOSTILE INTELLIGENCE SERVICES. AS THE SOVIET BLOC
INTELLIGENCE SERVICES BECOME MORE SOPHISTICATED, OUR
COUNTERINTELLIGENCE MEASURES MUST GROW CORRESPONDINGLY
STRONGER. RECENT CASES ALSO POINT TO THE IMPORTANCE OF
TENACITY AND OF CLOSE COOPERATION AMONG THE VARIOUS AGENCIES
WITHIN THE INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY. I BELIEVE IN THIS REGARD
THAT THE CHOICE OF VLADIMIR KRYUCHKOV AS CHAIRMAN OF THE KGB
LIKELY WILL MEAN A REDOUBLING OF SOVIET INTELLIGENCE EFFORTS
AGAINST THE UNITED STATES AND ITS ALLIES. COUNTERING THIS
CHALLENGE WILL BE ONE OF OUR MOST DIFFICULT REQUIREMENTS IN THE
FUTURE.

CONCLUSION

AS YOU CAN SEE, THE CHANGES THAT ARE UNDERWAY IN THE SOVIET UNION, BOTH IN ITS INTERNAL POLICIES AND IN ITS FOREIGN AND NATIONAL SECURITY POLICIES, POSE FORMIDABLE NEW REQUIREMENTS FOR AMERICAN INTELLIGENCE. FROM WEAPONS RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT, MILITARY PROGRAMS, ARMS CONTROL MONITORING RESPONSIBILITIES, TO TRACKING AND FORECASTING INTERNAL POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENTS AND FOREIGN POLICY INITIATIVES, SUR WORK IS BECOMING MORE COMPLEX AND MORE CHALLENGING. IT WILL ALSO COST MORE. IN AN ERA OF AGAIN CONSTRAINED SPENDING FOR DEFENSE AND INTELLIGENCE, FINDING THE RESOURCES TO MEET THE RESPONSIBILITIES IMPOSED UPON US BY THE NEEDS OF THE 'ATION AND THE REQUIREMENTS OF ITS LEADERS IS DAUNTING. AND, WHILE THE SOVIET UNION REMAINS OUR PRINCIPAL ADVERSARY, WE CANNOT NEGLECT SUCH MAJOR PROBLEMS AS CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL WEAPONS PROLIFERATION AMONG MANY OTHER COUNTRIES OF THE WORLD, THE PROLIFERATION OF MISSILE TECHNOLOGIES, OUR RESPONSIBILIT' FOR CONTINUING AND IMPROVING OUR EFFORTS TO HELP THE NATION'S COUNTERNARCOTICS PROGRAM, COPING WITH TERRORISM, DEVELOPMENTS IN THE THIRD WORLD, AND A HOST OF OTHER PROBLEMS.

WHERE WILL THE MONEY COME FROM? PEOPLE POINT TO THE INCREASE IN RESOURCES AVAILABLE TO US IN RECENT YEARS. A SUBSTANTIAL PORTION OF THOSE RESOURCES WERE REQUIRED SIMPLY TO

RECOVER FROM THE DRAWDOWNS IN OUR CAPABILTIES IN THE 1970S, A TIME WHEN U.S. INTELLIGENCE LOST SOME FIFTY PERCENT OF ITS PEOPLE AND FORTY PERCENT OF ITS SPENDING POWER. WE HAVE REBUILT SUBSTANTIAL CAPABILITIES, BUT THE REQUIREMENTS ON US HAVE GROWN EXPLOSIVELY.

THERE ARE NEW INITIATIVES UNDERWAY TO EXPAND OUR CAPABILITIES, BUT THE EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE BRANCHES MUST WORK TOGETHER TO ENSURE THAT WE ARE SIMPLY NOT PLUGGING HOLES IN THE DIKE OR DEALING WITH TODAY'S PROBLEMS BUT THAT WE ARE LOOKING AND PLANNING AHEAD FIVE, TEN, EVEN FIFTEEN YEARS TO ENSURE THAT THE RESOURCES AND CAPABILITIES WE WILL NEED TO RESPOND TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE LATE 1990S ARE AVAILABLE WHEN WE NEED THEM.

IN RECOUNTING THE INTELLIGENCE PROBLEMS AND DANGERS OF THE REAL WORLD, I HAVE NOT INTENDED TO COST YOU A NIGHT'S SLEEP BY WARNING OF GHOULIES AND GHOSTIES AND LONG-LEGGITY BEASTIES AND THINGS THAT GO BUMP IN THE NIGHT. RATHER, MY PURPOSE HAS BEEN TO REMIND YOU THAT BEHIND THE HEADLINES ARE BOTH ENDURING CHALLENGES AND A WHOLE RANGE OF NEW ONES THAT WE MUST RECOGNIZE AND DEAL WITH. THE WORLD IS NOT A STATIC PLACE. PERMANENT PEACE AND SECURITY ARE DREAMS. REAL PEACE, STABILITY, AND OUR NATIONAL WELL-BEING CAN BE ACHIEVED AND PRESERVED ONLY BY REALISTIC AWARENESS OF DEVELOPMENTS AROUND US AND BY THE CAPABILITY AND WILL TO OUTTHINK AND OUTPLAN OUR ADVERSARIES AND

TO ANTICIPATE GLOBAL DEVELOPMENTS. OUR NATIONAL ABILITY TO DO THIS WILL DEPEND UPON FIRST OF ALL ON FAR SIGHTED RECOGNITION OF NEW CHALLENGES BY OUR INTELLIGENCE SERVICES AND THE WISDOM AND RESOURCES TO ANTICIPATE THE FUTURE INTELLIGENCE NEEDS OF THE NATION AND ITS GOVERNMENT.